

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATION BILL.

APRIL 14, 1884.—Read twice, recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. FOLLETT, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

### REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 6656.]

The Committee on Appropriations, in presenting the bill making appropriations for the support of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1885, submit the following in explanation thereof:

The estimates upon which the bill is based are to be found on pages 180 to 187 of the Book of Estimates, and, exclusive of the estimates for the water department, aggregate \$3,439,024.47, one-half of which amount, or of such amount as Congress may appropriate, is required to be drawn from the revenues of the General Government, and the remaining one-half to be levied upon the taxable property and privileges in the District of Columbia, other than the property of the United States and the District of Columbia, pursuant to section 3 of the act approved June 11, 1878, entitled "An act providing a permanent form of government for the District of Columbia."

The total amount recommended to be appropriated for the general expenses of the District of Columbia, for the fiscal year 1885, in the bill submitted herewith is, exclusive of the water department, \$3,352,503.97, of which sum the General Government is required to pay \$1,676,251.98, that being the one-half of the whole sum. The whole sum recommended in the bill is \$86,520.50 less than the estimates.

The one-half of the whole amount appropriated for the current fiscal year and payable by the General Government is \$1,675,947.23, being \$304.75 less than the one-half contained in the bill submitted herewith for 1885.

The amount recommended for the water department and payable from the water revenues, and which is not included in the sums above, is \$186,349. The amount appropriated for the same purpose for the current fiscal year is \$105,850.50.

The estimated receipts from the taxes and other revenues of the District are in detail as follows:

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*Estimated receipts of the District government from all sources applicable to the general expenses of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1885.*

Estimated assessed value of real estate, at \$1.50 .....	\$85,600,000
Estimated assessed value of real estate (agricultural), at \$1.....	4,400,000
Total estimated assessed value of realty on 30th June, 1884.....	90,000,000
Estimated assessed value of new improvements from June 30, 1884, to June 30, 1885.....	1,750,000
Estimated value of realty for fiscal year ending 30th June, 1885..	91,750,000
Estimated value of personal property for fiscal year ending 30th June, 1885 .....	10,300,000
Total, real and personal, for fiscal year 1885.....	102,050,000

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

Tax on real estate (\$87,350,000), at \$1.50 .....	\$1,310,250
Tax on real estate (agricultural, \$4,400,000), at \$1.....	44,000
Estimated collection, 80 per cent. on .....	1,354,250
Estimated collection, 90 per cent. on personal tax on \$154,500.....	\$1,083,400
Estimated receipts from arrears of general and personal taxes prior to 1884, on \$991,528, at 15 per cent.....	139,050
Estimated receipts from arrears of general and personal taxes of 1884, on \$218,742, at 70 per cent.....	148,729
Estimated receipts from licenses .....	153,119
Estimated receipts from markets .....	125,000
Estimated receipts from fines, &c., in police court.....	17,000
Estimated receipts from building permits.....	25,000
Estimated receipts from rent, wharves, hay scales, &c.....	3,500
Estimated receipts from certificates of arrears.....	2,000
Estimated receipts from dog tax.....	1,800
Estimated receipts from Washington Market—poor fund.....	2,000
Estimated receipts from fees of surveyor's office.....	7,500
Estimated receipts from miscellaneous sources.....	5,000
Total.....	6,000
	1,719,098

## ESTIMATE OF RECEIPTS—WATER DEPARTMENT.

Estimated unexpended balance, June 30, 1884.....	\$48,398
Estimated receipts from water-main tax .....	16,000
Estimated receipts from water-rent....	118,000
Estimated receipts from water taps .....	2,100
Estimated receipts from water permits.....	2,200
	186,698